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RESOLUTION CHAPTER 105

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 97—Relative to the Senator Dave Cox Memorial Interchange.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 97, Gaines. Senator Dave Cox Memorial Interchange.

This measure would designate the interchange at Hazel Avenue and State Highway Route 50 in the County of Sacramento as the Senator Dave Cox Memorial Interchange. This measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering those costs, to erect those signs.

WHEREAS, Dave Cox was first elected to the California State Senate in November 2004, and was reelected in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Senator Cox represented the residents of the First Senate District, which includes all or portions of the Counties of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Lassen, Placer, Plumas, Modoc, Mono, Nevada, Sacramento, and Sierra; and

WHEREAS, Senator Cox served as Chair of the Senate Committee on Local Government, Vice Chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, and as a member of the Senate Committee on Banking, Finance and Insurance, the Senate Committee on Energy, Utilities and Communications, the Senate Committee on Public Employment and Retirement, and the Senate Committee on Health; and

WHEREAS, Senator Cox was first elected to the California State Assembly in November 1998, and the voters overwhelmingly reelected him in 2000 and 2002; and

WHEREAS, In March of 2001, the Members of the Assembly Republican Caucus elected then Assembly Member Cox to serve as their Assembly Republican Leader, a position he held until January of 2004; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as Assembly Republican Leader, Dave Cox led efforts to successfully unite the Republican Caucus against proposals to raise billions of dollars in new taxes while advocating for a stronger economy and jobs climate. Dave Cox led the fight against tripling of the car tax and helped trim waste from the state budget, freeing up money needed to fund essential education, public safety, and health care programs; and

WHEREAS, Senator Cox served as a Member of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's Transition Team; and

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WHEREAS, In January of 2009, Senator Cox was awarded the Patti Mattingly Distinguished Legislator Award by the Regional Council of Rural Counties. Senator Cox was recognized as the California Building Industry Association Outstanding Legislator of 2003, and as Legislator of the Year by the American Electronics Association in 2002, the Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors of California in 2001, and the California Business Properties Association in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Senator Cox was awarded the President's Award by the California State Association of Counties in 2001 in recognition of his commitment to developing sound public policy and service to the citizenry of California; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, the Northern California Power Agency named Senator Cox as its State Legislator of the Year. The California State Sheriffs' Association recognized Senator Cox as one of their Outstanding Senators in 2005, 2007, and 2008; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his election to the State Assembly, Senator Cox served for six years on the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Senator Cox also served as a member of the Sacramento Municipal Utility District Board of Directors, Senior Warden for St. Francis Episcopal Church of Fair Oaks, and a member of the boards of directors for the American Red Cross, the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, Easter Seals, and KVIE-Channel 6, where he served as Chairman in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Senator Cox earned a Bachelors in Business Administration at the University of San Diego in 1961, and a Master of Science in Taxation Degree at Golden Gate University in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Senator Cox was survived by his wife of 44 years, Maggie; daughters Cathleen, Margo, and Sarah; six grandchildren; and his beloved dog, Rudy; and

WHEREAS, In honor of Senator Cox's service to his constituents, the Senate of the State of California, and to all residents of the state, it would be a fitting tribute to designate the interchange at Hazel Avenue and State Highway Route 50 in the County of Sacramento in the honor and memory of Senator Cox; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby designates the interchange at Hazel Avenue and State Highway Route 50 in the County of Sacramento as the Senator Dave Cox Memorial Interchange; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs; and be it further

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Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.